

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Request for Extension of Time to)	
Construct Digital Facilities)	File No. BEPCDT-20020228AFA
WVLA-DT, Baton Rouge, Louisiana)	ID No. 70021
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MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

Adopted: August 14, 2003

Released: August 20, 2003

By the Chief, Media Bureau:

1. The Media Bureau (the "Bureau") has before it a petition for reconsideration filed by Knight Broadcasting of Baton Rouge License Corporation (Knight), permittee of WVLA-DT, Baton Rouge, Louisiana seeking reconsideration of the Media Bureau's letter of June 3, 2002, denying its request for an extension of time to construct the digital facilities for WVLA-DT and admonishing Knight for failing to meet the May 1, 2002, construction deadline for DTV facilities. For the reasons stated below, we grant the petition.

2. In its petition for reconsideration, Knight has provided information that gives details of its financial condition and demonstrates severe financial hardship sufficient to justify the requested extension.

3. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, THAT the petition for reconsideration filed by Knight Broadcasting of Baton Rouge License Corporation IS GRANTED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

W. Kenneth Ferree
Chief, Media Bureau